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The Driving Diversion Program (DDP) June 23, 2009

The Duluth City Attorney's Office is pleased to announce the creation of the Driving Diversion Program ("DDP"), which was authorized by the 2009 Minnesota Legislature as a pilot program and becomes effective July 1, 2009. The details of the DDP are currently being developed with the Department of Public Safety and our partner pilot cities (St. Paul, Inver Grove Heights, South Saint Paul and West Saint Paul). Working through Financial Crime Services, LLC, the new pilot diversion program seeks to assist individuals who have been charged with driving without a valid license to earn back their valid license status through a supervised payment plan, a mandatory financial management and life skills course, and the issuance of a temporary diversion license.

You MAY be eligible for the Driving Diversion Program (DDP) IF:

- 1. You have received a citation for Driving After Suspension (DAS) or Driving After Revocation (DAR);
- 2. The offense took place in the City of Duluth;
- 3. Your case is still "pending" (i.e. you have NOT yet paid the fine amount for that citation and/or you have NOT yet pled guilty to that offense); and
- 4. You have a Class D driver's license.

Individuals who hold a commercial driver's license or who were driving a commercial vehicle at the time of the offense are NOT eligible for this program.

If you think that you are eligible to participate in this program and would like more information, please contact:

Before July 1, 2009: Duluth Assistant City Attorney Cary Schmies (218) 730-5490.

After July 1, 2009: Financial Crimes Services, LLC (FCS) at 1-866-518-2597.

When you contact us, please have the following information available:

- 1. You full name and date of birth
- 2. Your citation number or court case number (MNCIS number)
- 3. The date of your offense

More information about this program will be posted on this website as it becomes available.